

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with David Sitzel on 11/4/08.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification:

Please insert the following section heading on page 1, before line 1:

--Title of the Invention--

Please insert the following section heading and paragraph on page 1, before line 3:

--Cross-Reference to Related Applications

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 National Stage patent application of International patent application PCT/EP03/01025, filed on February 3, 2003, which claims priority to German patent application DE 10210671.1, filed on March 12, 2002.--

Please insert the following section heading on page 1, line 3:

--Field of the Invention--

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--Discussion of the Background--

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Please insert the following section heading on page 2, line 12:

--Summary of the Invention--

Please insert the following section heading and paragraphs on page 4, before line 27:

--Brief Description of the Drawings

Fig. 1 illustrates a microparticle associated with the surface of a molding.

Fig. 2 illustrates a microparticle anchored to the surface of a molding.--

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--Detailed Description of the Invention--

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EDMUND H. LEE whose telephone number is 571.272.1204. The examiner can normally be reached on MONDAY-THURSDAY FROM 9AM-4PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yogendra Gupta can be reached on 571.272.1316. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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